



Little Moses is playing with some of his father's worn-out brushes. Can you cut out the pieces, brushes and handles (including the one he is holding, only as far as his hand) and arrange them in the black spaces so as to represent a well-known domestic animal?

## WANTS LAW MADE MORE EXPLICIT

Taft Will Suggest Changes to Anti-Trust Measure.

TO SEND SPECIAL MESSAGE

Will Not Wait for Oil Decision of Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, December 25.—The President has decided to send a special message to Congress dealing with the subject of amendments to the anti-trust law, without waiting for the Supreme Court to hand down its decision in the Standard Oil case.

Mr. Taft is of the opinion that, while there may be a number of willful violations of the existing law, there are also, in all probability, many violations growing out of an inability to understand just what the law requires or prohibits. He believes the statute could, in the light of experience gained since it was enacted, be somewhat amplified to the end that it would be more explicit in its prohibitions. This result would be highly desirable not only because it would more clearly point the way to those who would not willingly violate the law, but because it would in large measure rob of that excuse those who claim their violations to be unwilling.

**Federal Incorporation.** President Taft is, moreover, firmly convinced that some method of Federal incorporation should be provided, and is anxious that the subject should receive the early and serious consideration of both Houses of Congress. Mr. Taft is a great believer in the efficacy of publicity.

The system of Federal incorporation which he believes should be enacted would provide for regular reports from all large corporations to a Federal administrative office, and would clothe that office with the power to verify these reports and the facts connected therewith. He believes the law should provide for the publication in concise and intelligible form of all the important facts of corporate operations which are of public interest, safeguarding, at the same time, from unnecessary publication all proper business secrets.

Mr. Taft is disposed to believe that, as a necessary corollary of Federal incorporation, the government should extend to corporations which avail themselves of the privilege of the act and submit to the attendant supervision and publicity all the protection to which they are properly entitled.

Perhaps the most serious problem which attends the effort to establish adequate Federal control of corporations engaged in interstate commerce is presented by the inability of the government to protect such corporations from gravely detrimental State regulation. This difficulty already confronts the Interstate Commerce Commission in its efforts to determine and compel just rates for transportation. In more than one instance the reasoning and orders of the commission have been thrown completely out of balance by subsequent more or less drastic State regulation. The difficulties of accomplishing just and effective regulation of corporations which are clearly subject to two masters are obvious.

It is clearly realized that precisely as the States of the original confederation were long reluctant to delegate to a central government those powers essential to its existence, so now practically all the States resist any effort to curtail their powers to the end that the Federal government may be more adequately and effectively control those corporations which conduct interstate business and which have obviously outgrown the essentially narrow limitations of State control.

As has been pointed out by the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, the Federal government is, however, the only agency whose jurisdiction is commensurate with the ramifications of the business of the larger corporations and the only one which can prescribe uniform conditions for the entire country. It is also obvious that no considerable number of States can ever agree in establishing and maintaining

## Fowl Taste

GOOD while you're eating it XMAS TIME—bad—awful bad in YOUR MOUTH the day after if you fail to take a CASCARET at bed time to help nature remove the over-drinking and eating load. Don't neglect to have Cascarets with you to start the New Year right. They simply help nature—help you—

CASCARETS are a box for a week's treatment, all druggists. Biggest sell in the world. Millions boxes a month.



Answer December 19.

## SAYS MRS. ASTOR'S GOLD SET IS SHAM

Jeweler Declares the "Eighteen Carat" Is Only Plated.

NEW YORK, December 25.—That Mrs. Caroline W. Astor's famous dinner service, popularly believed to be eighteen carat gold, was in reality only plated with the precious metal, was the statement made last night by August V. Lambert, of the jewelry firm of Lambert Brothers, Third Avenue and Fifty-eighth Street.

"Not only do many persons of wealth use imitation pearls and other imitation jewelry," said Mr. Lambert, "but many of their other seemingly priceless possessions are mere shams. For instance, the 'solid' gold dinner set of Mrs. Astor is an ordinary silver set, plated with gold. We have often repaired pieces of the set for Mrs. Astor, and I can testify to this fact. Indeed, a dinner set of solid eighteen carat gold would not be of much use, because of the softness of the metal. No one using the set could tell the difference. I once sold Mrs. Astor a set of six knives and six forks, all gold plated."

"Regarding the use of imitation pearls, we have such a demand for them that we carry a line of imported imitations and they sell very well. 'Some persons will use the imitations to all cost, and a necklace or a collar with it is impossible to make the real pearls. A first-class imitation pearl cannot be detected by an expert at a distance of two feet."

"Very often people come to us to have imitations made of the genuine jewelry they own. When traveling or at other times when they run the risk of loss by theft or accident, the imitations are worn, and the real thing is locked up in the safe deposit vault. There are not many persons who buy paste jewelry merely to make a show. They usually have some such purpose as I have cited. Customers have come to me with partly completed necklaces or collars of pearls and bought paste jewels to fill out the set until suitable gems could be obtained."

"It has been my experience that persons of great wealth are the principal users of imitation jewelry. They are ordinary means want the genuine article or nothing at all. Those who have the priceless ornaments are willing to show the imitation and keep the original at home. Imitation diamonds are not so extensively used. They are easier to detect, and the few customers to whom I have supplied them wanted copies of their own very valuable necklaces."

## \$35,000 CHRISTMAS GIFT

Kennedy Crossed Gives His Six Children Valuable Property. ATLANTIC CITY, December 25.—Select Courtman Kennedy Crosson, of the Thirty-fifth Ward of Philadelphia, one of the owners of the million-dollar property, has a large property holder, gave his six children \$35,000 worth of seashore real estate as a Christmas gift. Under the terms of the will, the property was divided into six equal shares, one for each child. The children are made joint owners of an entire block of cottage sites on the Boulevard and Jackson Avenue, a boundary between this city and Ventnor. Real estate in the vicinity commands fancy prices. Philadelphia has recently paid as high as \$10,000 for cottage sites.

## NO LICENSE FOR JAPANESE

Cannot Marry American Girl in New Haven. NEW HAVEN, December 25.—A well-dressed young Japanese, who gave his name as Julian Kwan, called at the City Hall yesterday for a license to marry Miss Dorothy Dorr. He said he was a student at Harvard, and was twenty-one years old, and that Miss Dorr was a student at the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, and was eighteen years old. The license was refused, under the New York law, which requires that the bride be under twenty-one years of age. Kwan left the City Hall with Miss Dorr, saying that they would go to New York and meet the bride's mother, who had no objection to the wedding.

## GETS \$17,000 DAMAGES.

Big Verdict in Superior Court Affirmed by Supreme Court. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] ASHEVILLE, N. C., December 25.—The Supreme Court has affirmed the judgment of the Superior Court awarding \$17,000 damages in the case of T. E. Curtis, administrator, who, as representative of Mrs. B. Allen Bryant, sued the Southern Railway on account of the killing of her husband in a train wreck at Budd, near Greensboro, nearly three years ago. The decision is a notable victory for the plaintiff, not only because the judgment in the largest ever recovered in this State in a suit for damages on account of the death of an intestate, but in that it establishes a new and more liberal measure of damages for death claims. Mr. Bryant, a traveling man of Richmond, was killed thirty days after his marriage to Miss Marie Curtis, of this city, and because he was a young man, earning a large salary, \$50,000 damages were asked.

## FINES AMERICAN ADVERTISER

German Court Holds Use of Heavy Black Borders a Misdemeanor. BERLIN, December 25.—The manager of a manufacturing firm, an American, has been fined \$37.50 by the court at Bostock for having sent an advertisement through the mails heavily bordered with black, as though the communication were a death notice. The court held that such an advertisement was a gross misdemeanor, and stated that the punishment would have been more severe had the court not taken into account the fact that the accused was an American and had advertised customs of his country.

Shop in every department for after-Xmas bargain. Watch the bargain tables from day to day.

# Miller & Rhoads

Our Mail Order Service Is Prompt and Satisfactory

Mail orders will be filled on all advertised goods as long as the assortments last.

## Series of Stock Re-adjustment Sales!

The heaviest Christmas business in our history makes the quick readjustment of stocks necessary, and incidentally offers you a series of sales where buying will be most profitable. Merchandise from every department in these events—prices are of the "quick-sale" kind, regardless of former value. Unequaled opportunities for the selecting of New Year Gifts, and the chance to supply your own needs at the greatest of savings.

Few of the many hundreds of items can be chronicled here, but "look about" you on Monday and reap the benefit of these extraordinary sales.

## Exceptional Bargains in Women's Wear This Week

### Reduction Sale of Stylish Suits

Special low prices on Women's Stylish Suits, one and two of a kind, exclusive styles and bought to sell at almost double the sale prices.

**\$17.50 Suits, \$8.98**

One special lot of Gray Homespun Suits, many with moire facings. The Coats are the popular 42-inch lengths; skirts plaited; worth up to \$17.50, this week.

**\$8.98**

**\$30 Suits, \$15**

Great range of colors; materials approved suitings of this season. Coats from 42 to 48-inch lengths. These Suits were regularly worth from \$22.50 to \$30; this week,

**\$15.00**

**\$40 Suits, \$19.98**

Odd lot of Suits, one and two of a kind, broadcloth, men's wear and other fabrics. Lined with guaranteed satin; many of these Suits were \$40 values, this week,

**\$19.98**



### Dresses for Social Affairs

Beautiful Mesalaine Dresses, in exclusive styles; every popular evening shade is shown. Price range, \$21.50 to \$30.00.

Misses' Dancing Dresses, new and clever ideas that you must see to fully appreciate their worth. Prices are particularly inviting for this season.

SPECIAL—Dresses bought for display are now marked at one-half price.

### Beautiful Silk Waists

For the social affairs we offer Mesalaine Silk Waists in the evening shades, lace trimmed; also a line of elegantly tailored waists in shades to match.

**\$5.00**

You will be immediately interested in the new Chiffon Waists; all new designs. Late winter ideas. If for only a style study you would see these waists beauties.

### Evening Capes

Capes for evening wear; a beautiful display, in gray, light blue, pink, biscuit, salmon and other popular shades. The prices range \$7.98 to \$30.

### Warm Coats

Popular 52 and 54-Inch Long Coats, an unequalled assortment in Broadcloth, Kersey, Cover and other materials, to \$9.98 and \$15.98. Prices are greatly reduced.

## Silks of Beautiful Weaves at Profit-Clipped Prices

You can buy Silks here Monday at little prices, prices below the regular figures. The values are exceptional. Get the patterns you want Monday.

**\$1 Black Taffeta, 89c**

35 inches wide, extra quality and finish.

**Black Taffeta, 50c**

18 inches wide, strong and lustrous.

**89c Black Beau de Soie, 75c**

26 inches wide, soft glove finish.

**38c Dotted Silks, yard, 29c**

**38c Striped Bijou Silks, yd., 29c**

26 inches wide, in both street and evening shades.

**Black Diagonal Silk, \$1.25 yard**

36 inches wide, all pure silk.

**49c to 69c Fancy Silks, 39c yd**

consisting of striped and checked taffetas, foulards, etc., formerly selling up to 69c; special at 39c.

27 inches wide, in neat, desirable shades.

## Unusual Reductions in Dress Goods for Next Week

**Seal Plush, \$4 & \$5 yd**

Seal Plush, 50 inches wide, fine, soft quality, good heavy weight for the new coats, \$4.00 and \$5.00 the yard.

**Black Caracul, \$4.50 yd**

Black Caracul, 50 inches wide and the regular \$5.00 grade, at \$4.50 yard.

**Hatters' Plush, \$1 and \$2.50**

18 inches wide, with long nap for making the new Turban Hats.

**\$1 and \$1.25 Suitings, 59c yard**

50 to 58 inches wide, neat stripes, in gamet and brown; special at 59c.

**\$2 and \$2.50 Fine Suitings, \$1.50 yard**

Suitings are 54 to 58 inches wide, regular cloths for men tailoring in the correct mannish shades.

**Storm Serge, 50c yard**

36-inch Storm Serge, in medium and dark navy brown, gamet and black. We have just received another shipment of these sought-for goods.

**50c Suitings, 39c**

36 inches wide, in neat stripes; a few patterns to offer at these prices.

**\$2.50 and \$3 Imported Suit Patterns, \$1 yard**

In this lot only one pattern of a kind, about eight patterns in all.

## 1,542 Men's White Shirts, 69c worth \$1, \$1.50 & \$2, Sale Price

Sale of Men's Shirts Monday—values the like of which have never before been offered in this city.

These Shirts are the products of one of the largest and best shirt manufacturers in the world. They are classed by this concern as slightly imperfect, and for this reason we succeeded in purchasing the entire lot at a very low price.

The sale price seems almost impossible when you see the shirts. In the lot you will find Plaid, Regulation Stiff Bosoms, also Full Dress and Negligee Coat Shirts or closed front. Not soiled or mussed, but snow white, clean and fresh. Right out of the box and not even rumpled. This sale begins promptly Monday morning, and you must come early for these (See Window Display.)

## Prepare for Cold January Weather Buy Blankets and Comforts

Prepare for Cold January Weather. Purchase Blankets and Comforts here where you are sure of the values. Stocks are the most complete we ever had—the best that can be bought anywhere, and the prices are right.

**Gray Cotton Blankets, 11-4, double bed size, borders of blue, pink and black, 98c.**

**All-Wool Blankets, 100 per cent., 10-4, at \$5.00.**

**The Shiny Gray Blanket, 10-4 size, dainty borders of pink and blue, values at \$2.50.**

**Gray Cotton Blankets, well woven, 10-4 size, offered at 59c.**

**Comfort, large cotton filled, silk-line covering, extra good value at \$1.15.**

**Sauitary Wool White Blankets, 10-4, at \$4.50.**

**Gray Blankets, forty pairs, 11-4 size, worth \$4.00; our price, \$3.50.**

**Comforts, cotton and wool filled, full size for roomy beds, beautiful silk-line and saline coverings; price range, \$2.00 to \$4.00.**

## Exceptional Rug Values Here

Floor covering values you will find profitable to purchase.

**3x4-yard Ingrain Rugs, red, green, tan and mixtures, large line of patterns, \$4.50.**

**8x12 Brussels Rugs, large line of patterns and colors, \$12.50.**

**8x12 Brussels Rugs, Oriental designs and colors, regular \$18 values, \$15 each.**

**8x12 Kazak Rugs, blue, rose, green, brown, plain, self-colored and mixed centres. The ideal bedroom rug, \$13.50.**

### Oriental Rugs

**Shirvan Rugs, soft tones of blue, pink, green and rose, \$25.00 each.**

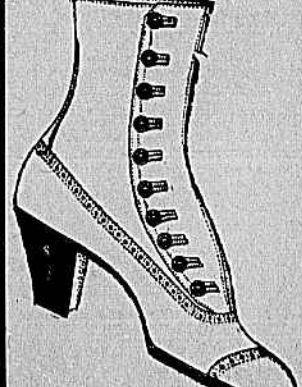
**Kazak Rugs, nice hall sizes, good line of colors and patterns, \$20.00.**

**Large Silky Kazak Rugs, blue, rose and terra-cotta, \$10.00 values, \$9.00 each.**

**Chabestan and Daghestan Rugs, very silky pieces, all colors, about 3x5 feet, \$25.00 values, \$16.50 and \$17.50 each.**

## New Black Buckskin Boot, \$5

An Exceptionally Smart Shoe



Women's Black Buckskin Slant Top Button Boots, made over high arch last, with short fore part. Perforations around foxing and tipped, walled sole, 1-7-8-inch Cuban heel. This unusually smart boot, \$5.00.